

## STREET CAR KILLS LESLIE H. FOLKES

### Body Hurl'd Fifteen Feet and Wrapped Around Light Pole.

## FELL ASLEEP AT EDGE OF TRACK

### Aroused by Noise, He Jumped Suddenly as "Owl" Car Appeared and Was Instantly Crushed to Death—Father Identifies Body—Crew Arrested and Released.

Surprised from his slumber between the car tracks, Leslie H. Folkles, of 501 West Clay Street, sprang into the side of eastbound Broad and Main Street car No. 506 about 5 o'clock yesterday morning, and was instantly killed. The accident occurred on Broad Street, between Cedar and Allison Streets, about 10:30 p. m. The car was stopped at half way between stopping points.

As the heavy car rushed on, the body was hurled against an iron light pole, and one leg was twisted around the pole. C. C. Eddleton was in charge of the car. It was not yet light when the accident occurred, and the car passed on without either man seeing the body, or knowing that some one had been struck.

### Found an Hour Later.

The body was not discovered until a Lakeside car, running from the barns a few minutes before 6 o'clock to begin work on the First Street line, came up nearly an hour later. Motorman J. W. Turner saw it lying between the east and westbound tracks, huddled up and around the iron pole, and called the attention of the conductor, J. L. Tucker, to the fact that a dead man was lying in the middle of the tracks. The conductor came into view, and the Lakeside car stopped by him. One of the two crew knew then how the man had come to his death, and they notified the office and the police. In the morning, Coroner Taylor was called to the scene.

### Father Identifies Body.

Mounted Officer Krug, who had been a schoolmate of the dead man, who had seen Folkles an hour before the accident only two squares away, was the first to identify the body, and a message was sent to his home. Mr. Folkles, father of the young man, knowing that his son had not been home during the night, went to the scene, and identified the body as that of his son. He was taken home on the verge of collapse, and conveyed the news to the other members of the family. They themselves knew little of the supposed details of the accident, and were unable to discuss it.

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## DUTCH MAKING NEW TARIFF

### Moderately Protective Measure Introduced in Dutch Chamber.

The Hague, April 2.—The new tariff law, which has been introduced by the government in the first chamber, is moderately protective in character. Its sponsors claim that, while it will bring in an additional 10,000,000 gulden of revenue annually, the new duties will not be so onerous as to keep out foreign imports. A gulden is the equivalent of 40 cents in the money of the United States.

It is asserted that the tariff will not be high enough to induce the formation of Dutch trusts to put up the prices of raw materials. The general idea is that half-manufactured goods shall be subject to an import duty of from 3 to 6 per cent, ad valorem, and articles nearly finished to 10 per cent. Woven finished goods will be assessed 12 per cent. The tariff on mineral, yarn, petroleum and metal products would remain on the free list. Fine flour would pay a duty of 40 cents per Dutch hundred kilograms; cigars, 125 gulden per hundred kilos and 20 per cent ad valorem; cigarettes, 250 gulden per hundred kilos and 40 per cent ad valorem.

## PRAYER AND POISON MIXED

### Brother May Be Held for Murder of Injured Sister.

York, Pa., April 2.—At the direction of District Attorney R. R. Sherwood, an inquest was held and an autopsy made on the body of Mrs. George Gracie Hart, twenty-three years old, who died in this city, to determine whether or not a charge of murder shall be brought against her brother, Carman Gracie.

The brother, who is beneficiary in a life insurance policy that was held by his sister, several days ago administered to her a dose of laudanum, which placed her in a stupor from which she never recovered. Gracie was immediately arrested on a charge of administering a drug with felonious intent.

It is said that before he gave the drug he knelt beside his sister's bed and prayed, and John Stair, who was in the room, says that Gracie tried to administer to take morphine pills.

Administrative inquest, Stair says, Gracie commanded him to stand at the front door and allow no one to pass in or out, declaring that there was to be murder in the house.

### Williams Gets Divorce.

He is also awarded custody of his children.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Baltimore, Md., April 2.—A decree granting an absolute divorce to W. Berkeley Williams was signed in this city late Saturday afternoon by Judge Charles W. Heusler, sitting in the Circuit Court. Mrs. Williams is said to be in a poor state of health.

### SUES TO PROVE MARRIAGE

Husband Destroyed Certificates and Deserted Her, Woman Charges.

Newburyport, Mass., April 2.—A suit entered by Mrs. Sarah M. Clarke to establish the facts of her relations with John W. Clarke, with whom she lived fifty-three years as wife and mother, to her declaration, is without precedence in the Essex county courts.

### TRIPLE CONVENTION

Louisville Will Entertain 500 Dealers in Machinery.

Louisville, Ky., April 2.—A triple convention, to comprise meetings of the Southern Supply and Machinery Dealers' Association, the National Supply and Machinery Dealers' Association, will open here to-morrow. Five hundred delegates will be welcomed by Governor Willson and Mayor Head. It is said they will discuss only trade subjects.

### REMARKABLE FLIGHT

Out of Sight of Earth, Vedrine Is Compelled to Land.

Paris, April 2.—Pierre Vedrine, who recently flew from Poitiers to Issy les Moulineaux, 295 miles, in two hours and twelve minutes, made another remarkable flight to-day. He left Issy early this morning for Pau and landed near Mothil, covering the distance, 212 miles, at the rate of seventy-seven miles an hour. Unfavorable weather compelled him to rise to a height of more than 6,000 feet, where he was out of sight of the earth. He tried to keep his course by the sun and compass, but, finding that he was losing his way, descended.

### WILL HEAR COTTON CASES

Witnesses From All Parts of World Ready to Testify.

Aberdeen, Miss., April 2.—Suit against the members of the Steele-Miller Cotton Company, alleging fraud through bogus bills of lading, will be heard by Judge Niles in the Federal court, which convenes to-morrow. The cotton cases will probably come up Tuesday. Witnesses from all parts of the world are here to testify.

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## CABINET CRISIS ENDS ABRUPTLY

### Premier Canalejas Continues in Power at King's Request.

## WILL CONSTRUCT NEW MINISTRY

### Believed That He Alone Can Prevent Ferrer Case From Developing Into Spanish Dreyfus Affair—His Retention in Office Displeasing to Vatican.

Madrid, April 2.—The ministerial crisis, which appeared fraught with the greatest possibilities, seems to have ended as abruptly as it began. It has resolved itself, seemingly to the general relief, into a second reconstruction of the Canalejas ministry.

King Alfonso, on his arrival from Seville this afternoon, immediately received Senor Canalejas and requested him to continue in power. The premier agreed on condition that he be permitted to make such changes in the Cabinet as he deemed necessary. To this the King readily assented.

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## RACE RIOT IN LAUREL

### Negroes Fire Into Crowd, Killing Little Boy.

Laurel, Del., April 2.—About 10 o'clock Saturday night a mob of armed negroes swooped down upon a crowd of spectators in the main square of this town and fired a volley of bullets and buckshot into the crowd. Orem Stockley, eight years old, son of a farmer living near Laurel, fell to the ground and through the head. He was taken to a hospital in Salisbury, Md., where he died to-day.

George Hudson, fifty years old, a white man, of Bethel, was shot in the leg, necessitating amputation, and John Thompson, a white barber, was shot in both legs while shaving a negro. Other white men received minor injuries. It is known that several negroes were injured, but they cannot be located.

Officers were unable to cope with the mob, and there was a fierce struggle between the two races until 3 o'clock this morning. Windows were shattered, and the exterior of buildings was greatly damaged.

To-day, when it was learned that young Stockley had died, a number of white men armed themselves, and, with Chief of Police Ellis and other officers, proceeded to the scene of the riot. Three men, alleged to be the ringleaders, were arrested and taken to the Sussex county jail.

Earl Richards, a fifteen-year-old white boy, stole his father's revolver and captured George Wright, a negro, for whom the authorities have been looking for over a year. Richards compelled the negro to hold up his hands and to sign a statement that he had committed the murder of a white boy.

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## STEPS FOR PEACE ARE BEING TAKEN

### Preliminary Conference Will Be Held in El Paso.

## CONFEREES ARE NOW GATHERING

### Message of Diaz Has Not Pleas'd All Revolutionists, and Many Believe War Will Go On. Gomez Hopes for Recognition of Belligerency by This Country.

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## ANNUAL BATTLE PRACTICE

### Ships of Atlantic Fleet Will Begin Shooting To-Day.

Washington, D. C., April 2.—The annual battle practice of the Atlantic fleet of the Virginia capes will begin in earnest to-morrow morning, when fourteen of the sixteen battleships, under command of Rear-Admiral Sigsbee, will direct their big guns at targets representing warships of a supposed enemy. Secretary of the Navy Meyer, on the President's yacht, will observe the effort of the crews, men and guns under battle conditions.

Twenty-five vessels of the navy will be on the scene of battle, which is known as the southern drill grounds. This is a spot, east of the navy yard, where it occupies an unfrequented part of the ocean, which is of easy access to the naval anchorage in Hampton Roads.

Each screen will be examined frequently, and records of the hits will be made. In this way, the records of target practice are obtained and the ships rated as to efficiency.

After the single vessels have had their turn at shooting, the fleet, in two divisions, will direct their guns simultaneously upon the targets. The practice will follow the division firing. Exercises in repelling torpedo boat attacks and recording the firing on target screens will occupy several nights.

Rivalry is keen among the officers and gun crews of the different battleships, as the records made will determine the winner of the fleet trophy, the blue ribbon of the navy. The South Carolina now holds the coveted honor.

## NEW YORK PROTESTS

### Great Meeting Demands That Fire Danger Be Banished.

New York, April 2.—Protest against conditions in New York City, under the recent Washington fire disaster assumed to-day the proportions of the largest civic indignation meetings ever held in New York. A throng of 100,000 people gathered at the Metropolitan Opera House to demand